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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is herewith submitted in conjunction with the filing of a divisional patent application. The parent application is co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/611,690, filed July 7, 2000.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Specification by replacing the indicated sections and paragraphs with the sections and paragraphs provided below:

On page 1, replace the section on line 4 with: GEORGE J. LEMOINE

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